

**Table C-4. Number of 1995 and 1996 science and engineering master's degree recipients who are employed, unemployed, and not in the labor force, by major field of degree: April 1997**

Major field of 1995-96 S&E master's degree	Total recipients	Employed	Unemployed <sup>1</sup>	Not in labor force
All science and engineering fields.....	149,500	135,800	2,900	10,800
Major type				
Total science.....	102,500	91,600	2,100	8,900
Total engineering.....	47,000	44,200	S	2,000
Major field				
Computer and information sciences.....	18,200	17,700	S	S
Life and related sciences, total.....	15,300	12,300	S	2,700
Agricultural and food sciences.....	2,500	2,300	S	S
Biological sciences.....	10,500	7,800	S	2,400
Environmental life sciences including forestry sciences.....	2,400	2,200	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	7,900	7,100	S	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	9,700	8,400	S	1,100
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	3,900	3,200	S	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	2,400	2,300	S	S
Physics and astronomy.....	3,000	2,600	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	26,400	23,500	S	2,100
Social and related sciences, total.....	25,100	22,700	S	2,000
Economics.....	4,100	3,700	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	8,100	7,100	S	S
Sociology and anthropology.....	4,200	3,700	S	S
Other social sciences.....	8,700	8,200	S	S
Engineering, total.....	47,000	44,200	S	2,000
Aerospace and related engineering.....	1,500	1,400	S	S
Chemical engineering.....	2,000	1,700	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	6,500	6,300	S	S
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	16,100	15,300	S	S
Industrial engineering.....	3,200	3,100	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	7,200	6,700	S	S
Other engineering.....	10,400	9,700	S	S

<sup>1</sup>The unemployed are those who were not working on April 15 and who were seeking work or who were on layoff from a job.

**KEY:** S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

**NOTES:** Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

These estimates on recent college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals whose most recent bachelor's or master's degree is in a science or engineering field and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

**SOURCE:** National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Studies, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1997